Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office Of The Governor

WHEREAS, Seventy-five years ago, a hardworking young mill operator by the name of Henry John Wegner journeyed to the booming capital city of Pierre, South Dakota; and,

WHEREAS, "H.J." Wegner purchased a parcel of real estate south of the St. Charles Hotel on Euclid Avenue and started selling and repairing automobiles from South Dakota's first dealership; and,

WHEREAS, "H.J."'s wife Lottie and his sons, Lester and Varro, soon joined him in Pierre, and the two boys quickly threw their youthful energy into what would become a South Dakota institution and a Pierre landmark; and,

WHEREAS, At a time when many doubters regarded the horseless carriage as a noisy and dangerous toy, the Wegner family stood by their belief that the automobile would revolutionize America; and,

WHEREAS, Over the years, Wegner Auto has remained a family business, with Hank and Tony representing the third generation and Jim the fourth generation; and,

WHEREAS, Always innovative, Wegner Auto became the first import dealer in the Pierre area in 1958 and also built the first of its kind service area in 1972; and,

WHEREAS, Wegner Auto has, in just 75 short years, moved from the world of livery stables and Reo horseless carriages to the world of diagnostic equipment and computers:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM J. JANKLOW, Governor of the Great State of South Dakota, do hereby publicly proclaim Monday, August 15, 1988, as

WEGNER AUTO SEVENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY DAY

in South Dakota, and I personally salute all the employees of Wegner Auto for upholding a tradition of personal interest, genuine concern, and quality service for all their customers.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twelfth day of July, in the year of our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Eighty-eight.

William J. Janklow

GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

Alice Kundert

ALICE KUNDERT, SECRETARY OF STATE

By: Jay D. Vogt

J. D. VOGT, DEPUTY

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